

Beautification Commission Meeting

10/20/2008

- **Members present:**
 - Anne Little
 - Laura Shepperd
 - Nancy Segarra
 - Carl Spangler
 - Carolyn Helfrich
 - Diane Jones
 - Mike Ward
 - Mary Repass
- **Others in attendance:**
 - David Dorsey
 - Carl Little
- **Meeting activities**
 - Tree Subcommittee update – presented by Anne Little, see attached
 - Downtown Retail Merchants (DRM) update – presented by Mary Repass
 - Status given on cleaning up tree wells downtown
 - Starting on George Street and William Street
 - Merchants along the streets are taking on two tree wells each
 - Clean Subcommittee update – presented by Diane Jones
 - Diane Jones has started some work on a Clean Committee plan and will be working further with subcommittee members
 - Diane Jones provided an update on the litter pickup program
 - A logo for the Commission has been purchased and can now be used by the Beautification Commission.
 - The location for the next meeting will change to a place which will be more convenient to use during the new meeting time of 6pm to 7pm. Information will be disseminated to members as soon as available.
 - Laura Shepperd will represent the Beautification Commission at the next DRM meeting.
 - A planting of Root Production Method (RPM) trees is being planned in November. This will be accomplished utilizing volunteers. Planting locations will include both city and private property locations. Private property locations will primarily be yard areas which front to public sidewalks.
 - A tree planting is being coordinated for circle at Washington Street and Lewis Street. It is planned to occur in October or November. The planting will be accomplished by Public Works.
 - Diane Jones suggested consideration of using mulch and compost from the landfill where appropriate.

- The landfill is going to get a tire shredder in the near future. Consider potential uses of the shredded tire product.
- **ACTIONS:**
 - Anne Little – send copy of PowerPoint presentation to members for review and comment
 - Anne Little – send out list of planned presentations and request other potential venues
 - Mary Repass, Carolyn Helfrich, Laura Shepperd – to coordinate what they are doing regarding tree well clean-up
 - Tree Committee – do a presentation at some future DRM meeting
 - DRM to coordinate with the Clean Subcommittee on plan inputs